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Suit That Cost \$12.10 Sold
for \$40—Manager Barely
Escapes Prison.

ANOTHER TO BE FINED.

Binghamton Concern Found
Guilty in Federal Court on
Seven Counts.

SYRACUSE, May 28.—Convicted of conspiracy and profiteering in the sale of men's wearing apparel, Weeds, Inc., exclusive clothing retailers of Binghamton, and Gordon H. Smith, general manager of the concern, were jointly fined \$31,000 here this morning in the Federal Court.

Smith escaped a prison sentence only because he had no financial interest in the business.

The defendants were found guilty on seven counts, the first of which charged a conspiracy between Smith and the corporation in the marketing of retail prices so as to exact an excessive profit. This count had twenty-six separate items, showing cost prices and sale prices on the goods as found on the counters of the store by agents of the Department of Justice. None of the goods were actually sold. On this count Judge Munton levied a fine of only \$1,000.

The remaining six counts covered sales actually made and a fine of \$3,000 was imposed for each of them. The charges in those counts were as follows:

The sale of a suit of clothing costing \$20 to J. H. Nelson of Binghamton for \$40. Another suit costing \$12.10 sold to Dr. S. J. Nunn of Binghamton for \$40. Another to Dr. Nunn for \$45, the cost price being fixed at \$25.50.

The sale of a suit costing \$17.52 to B. Pender of Binghamton for \$45; another to A. M. Piersen of Binghamton for \$29.50, the cost price being \$17.52; one costing \$32.25 sold to T. B. Carey, a Binghamton millionaire, for \$60.

The fine, as imposed this morning, by Judge Munton, is the largest that has been passed in the United States following a conviction for profiteering. This is the second conviction against a large and long established concern in the entire country; the first having been obtained here two weeks ago against the John A. Roberts Company of Utica, convicted on eleven counts, each charging profiteering. This company has not yet been sentenced. A fine of \$55,000 is the maximum which can be imposed.

The fact that Smith has only one share of stock in the corporation, for which he paid no money and which is given him only as a means of making him an officer of the corporation, alone holds the fine on that point down to \$1,000 and saves him from going to prison," said Judge Munton, in delivering judgment. "On the other counts the maximum has been imposed and I will not reduce it."

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RETAIL GROCERS MAKE PLEDGE TO CUT FOOD COSTS

Association Will Lower Prices
to Meet Declining Wholesale
Quotations.

Food prices will be lowered by members of the New York Retail Grocers' Association to keep pace with declining wholesale rates, according to a pledge given this morning by Peter H. Alner, President of the Association, to J. J. Price, of the Department of Justice Flying Squadron. There are 300 grocers in the organization.

At the close of his conference Mr. Price declared that the squadron would not rest on the assurance of the association, but would continue its investigations and that the department would take drastic action in event any grocers fail to follow the market quotations.

In explaining what would be considered a reasonable price under the agreement, Price gave the following examples of what should be today's maximum charge for vegetables and dairy produce by retailers:

Best new Bermuda potatoes, 15c lb.; No. 2 potatoes, 10c lb.; best Georgia cucumbers, from 5c to 6c each, according to size; cabbage, 2 for 15c; Texas onions, 8c lb.; fresh laid eggs, 55c doz; best butter, 55c lb.

These prices he said were based on the day's quotations for wholesale produce. As Price finished reading the list, a woman uptown on the west side telephoned to complain that a grocer had just charged her 92 cents a pound for butter. Agent Joseph Siffon was sent from the bureau in a hurry to check up the complaint and take action against the grocer.

"We are glad of all such assistance," said Price. "But people who call us up must be willing, as this lady was, to give their names and addresses and if possible to become witnesses. It is of the greatest assistance if complainants will preserve their bills or slips for purchase."

FIGHT OVER DRY LAW ON AMERICAN SHIP

Attempt Made to Carry Bottle of
Whiskey Aboard Maritima Wash-
ington at Montevideo.

MONTevideo, May 28.—An attempt to enforce the United States prohibition regulations on the Northern American passenger steamer Maritima Washington led to disorder here today on board that vessel when one of the ship's officers endeavored to take from a coal passer a bottle of whiskey alleged to have been in the man's possession.

More than a score of the crew took up the side of their fellow worker and a fight followed, in which the port authorities were forced to intervene. Thirty members of the crew were landed before order was restored. The United States Consul has taken up the incident.

The Maritima Washington is bound for New York from Buenos Ayres.

"PEOPLE'S FAULT IF THEY PAY OVER \$7.50 FOR SHOES."

—George F. Johnson.

"Shoe King" Declares Good
Footwear Is on Sale at \$4,
\$5 and \$6 a Pair.

BLAMES THE PUBLIC

Says Poor Encourage Profit-
eering by Paying High Prices
to Imitate Rich.

By Sophie Irene Loeb.
(Staff Correspondent of The Evening
World.)

JOHNSON CITY, N. Y., May 28.—"It is the people's own fault if they pay more than \$7.50 for a pair of shoes. The average person should not pay more than \$4, \$5 or \$6 for a pair of shoes. There is no reason why good shoes should bring the outrageous prices they do."

Spoke George F. Johnson, the shoe king, whose factories here manufacture \$5,000 pairs of shoes a day. It is the consumer's own fault, he said, that the high prices he pays for shoes, said Mr. Johnson. "The best shoe, except for fancy trimmings, is \$7.50, and the average person should not pay any more."

"The trouble with the consumer is that he thinks that if he does not pay a high price for an article, it is not good."

"This is the fallacy that has brought about a wave of extravagance in the past that has reached the superlative degree. I believe the people will wake up."

"Shoes are like millinery. Fancy prices seem to make them better. If you don't demand a fashionable name and are willing to pay the live-and-let-live dealer a reasonable price, you can get shoes at prices that will eliminate profiteering."

"The trouble is that people of moderate means refuse to go in the highways and byways and purchase shoes at moderate prices. They always want to reach the highest. They want to compete with the persons of wealth who can pay the profiteers and not feel it."

"Take the average working girl. She buys the same priced shoes as women on Fifth Avenue."

"It is the same in the small towns. All of this creates a demand for high priced shoes, and they get them."

"The dealer in shoes is encouraged therefore to move to more fashionable quarters where his overheads are higher, and quite naturally the prices soar accordingly."

"A common commodity like shoes should be bought where the overheads are the least. The few rich people who don't mind high prices may have the high priced dealers."

"Such a dealer must thrive also, and he fills the want of the rich people."

"This is all very well and I have no quarrel with the fancies and follies of these people of wealth. But what is of utmost importance is that the average consumer should not pay profiteering on shoes."

"And this is a matter entirely within the consumer. He doesn't have to."

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Gibraltar of Ice at Sea.
An iceberg about half a mile long and 700 feet high, similar in shape to the Rock of Gibraltar, was observed on May 16 in latitude 42.19, longitude 47.33. It was announced in shipping circles today.

835 MEN'S SUITS, \$24.95.
The "HUB" Clothing Store, Broadway, corner Barclay Street, Opp. Woolworth Building, will sell today and Saturday 2,000 men's and women's spring suits in blue, brown, green, gray and tan, single or double breasted, formal military style, knee or patch pockets, very latest trimmings, made of finest materials, for 10-day and Saturday, \$24.95. Orders at \$23.50. Open Saturday night till 10. HUB CLOTHING, Broadway, cor. Barclay Street, Adams.

TERRIER RETURNS TO HOSPITAL TO HAVE LEG DRESSED

Intelligent Little Animal, Injured by
Auto, Goes Back Daily for
Surgical Attention

MISS ISABELLA BENNETT, a nurse at the Newark City Hospital, was walking near the hospital Wednesday morning when she saw an auto truck strike and injure a white fox terrier. She took the dog to the receiving room of the hospital, where the animal's badly bruised and cut foreleg was dressed.

Yesterday morning about the same time the dog arrived at the receiving room and hung around until the doctors again dressed his leg, when he disappeared.

This morning promptly on the hour he again appeared at the receiving room and sat quietly in a corner until the doctors got round to his case. To make sure the bone was not injured the surgeons to-day took an X-ray picture of the leg, found the bone unharmed, replaced the bandages, and the terrier went off about his business.

No one at the hospital knows the dog.

HYLAN TRIES AGAIN TO AVERT STRIKE ON B. R. T. LINES

Asks That Action Be Deferred
Until Tuesday To Arrange
Conference.

Mayor Hyman made active efforts this afternoon to avert the threatened strike in the Brooklyn Rapid Transit power houses and sub stations, which would tie up the entire street railway system of Brooklyn.

J. H. O'Donnell, Vice President of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, who has been seeking to defer radical action, spent the day in vain efforts to get a conference with Receiver Garrison.

The Mayor sent a telegram to O'Donnell asking him to appoint a new conference committee of B. R. T. employees, adding to the old committee a number of representatives of men employed in the sub-stations. The Mayor also asked that all action be deferred until Tuesday next to give him time to bring about conciliatory conferences.

O'Donnell said he had no authority to accept the Mayor's suggestions, but would put them before the meeting of the Powerhouse Men's Organization, which began at 2 o'clock.

Peter Brady of the Allied Printing Trades was Mayor Hyman's adviser today in the negotiations.

Philip Reeves, President of Local

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WOMAN SHOTS A "PEEPING TOM"

Saw Him Peering Over Transom
and Fired, She Says—Injured
Porter Is Arrested.

While combing her hair in front of her dresser in the Hotel Berkeley in Elizabeth, N. J., Mrs. William Mitchell of Reading, Pa., saw in the mirror the reflection of a man peering over the transom. She threw a bed sheet around herself, seized a revolver, fired at the "Peeping Tom," and hit him in the head, she said. She continued dressing and went to the Police Station, where she filed a complaint.

A short time later Bruno Boech, twenty-five, was taken into custody in General Hospital, where he was being treated for a slight wound in the head. He was charged with being the "peeper." He said he was a porter in the hotel.

Mrs. Williams, hot water, sure killed. Don't forget—Advs.

POLICEMAN, AFIRE, SAVES 2-TRAPPED IN BLAZING AUTO

Explosion Follows Smash-Up
on Upper Broadway as Ciga-
rette Drops in Gasoline.

BIG CROWD IN DANGER.

Patrolman, After First Rescue,
Puts Out Flames on Dress
of Woman Spectator.

Three minutes after a touring car banged into a big limousine at 11:30 o'clock to-day at the corner of Broadway and West 135th Street, breaking the gasoline tank of the limousine and covering the roadway with gasoline, an unidentified youth in the crowd dropped a lighted cigarette. There was a puff, and flames shot into the air. With the first puff the limousine was ablaze.

In the tonneau were Dr. Roger H. Bennett, forty-four, of No. 125 East 34th Street, and a small boy.

Patrolman McWilliams of the West 125th Street Station, his shoes and the bottoms of his trousers on fire, pulled open the door of the car and drew its occupants to safety. The limousine was destroyed.

Meanwhile the skirt of a young woman in the crowd, who refused to give her name, caught fire. McWilliams extinguished the flames with his uniform coat.

Traffic Policeman Casey pulled a fire alarm, and seeing that Dr. Bennett apparently had been injured, called for an ambulance. Dr. Shapiro of Knickerbocker Hospital thought Dr. Bennett's right arm had been broken, but Dr. Bennett said he would see his own physician and, climbing into another car with the boy and his chauffeur, Maurice Horan of No. 55 Railroad Avenue, Winfield, N. Y., drove away.

The touring car, which the policemen said, was responsible for the collision, was driven by its owner, David Lederer, a salesman of No. 632 West 171st Street. Lederer was handed a summons to appear next Tuesday morning before Magistrate House in the Traffic Court for driving on the wrong side of the highway.

Lederer, the officers said, had driven south on Broadway and, turning in toward Riverside Drive at 125th Street, was well toward the south side of 135th Street when the collision occurred. The corner is a terminus of the Fifth Avenue bus and one of the busiest points in that part of the city. With Lederer was William B. Chuck of No. 76 East 34th Street. Neither was injured.

LID IS CLAMPED TIGHTER.

WASHINGTON, May 28.—In an effort to defeat the "indiscriminate sale" of liquor on physicians' prescriptions, Commissioner Williams of the Bureau of Internal Revenue, issued a ruling today limiting the number of permits allowing each physician to 100 for each three months, except with "good cause."

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HOUSE REFUSES TO OVER-RIDE VETO

President Wilson's Disapproval of
Knox Resolution Gets 152
Votes; 219 Against It.

WASHINGTON, May 28.—The Knox peace resolution was killed to-day by the action of the House in refusing to override President Wilson's veto of the measure.

The vote was 219 for overriding and 152 against, or 55 less than the necessary two-thirds.

"CONGRESS CANNOT SETTLE A CUP OF COFFEE," HE SAYS

Vice President Marshall Tells Pres-
byterians They Must Urge
League of Nations.

PHILADELPHIA, May 28.—The latest unflattering opinion of Congress comes from Vice President Marshall, speaking on "Christian Education" before a mass meeting of delegates to the Presbyterian General Assembly last night in the Academy of Music. At one point he said: "You and I want a League of Nations to stop the war."

Then he called on God to teach the country that peace was better than anything else, and added:

"Who is going to settle these questions? Congress is not. Congress could not settle a cup of coffee."

EXTRA! STRAW HATS DOWN!

Prices to Be Slashed, Say Profiteering
Investigators.
Armin W. Riley, special assistant to Attorney General Palmer, in charge of the profiteering investigation here, announced today that after a conference with prominent hat dealers, he had obtained their promise to slash straw hat prices immediately.

He said he had convinced them they were making too great profits.

Bonus Filibuster On in Congress.
WASHINGTON, May 28.—Proponents of soldier relief legislation launched their filibuster in the House today immediately after the Speaker's gavel fell and it was 25 minutes before the chaplain opened the customary opening prayer. The filibuster was renewed immediately afterward.

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SUDDEN SWITCH TO WOOD OF TWO OHIO NEWSPAPERS MAKES SENATORS SUSPICIOUS

Harding's Manager Unable to Explain It, but Says Much Money Was Spent in Advertising by Wood Committee—Senators on Hunt for 'Invisible' McAdoo Boom

WASHINGTON, May 28.—Harry M. Daugherty, campaign manager for Warren G. Harding, was recalled to the witness stand to-day in the investigation of campaign funds of Presidential candidates and questioned in an effort to learn why two Ohio newspapers had suddenly switched their support from Harding to Wood.

EX-KAISER WILHELM MAKES OWN SUITS AND EXCELS AT IT

"Missed Vocation," Says Trade Pa-
per; "What Would Have Been
His Fame as Tailor?"

LONDON, May 28.—WILLIAM of Hohenzollern, former Emperor of Germany, is trying his hand as a tailor, according to a Central News despatch from Amsterdam. He is cutting out patterns for many new suits with which he is going to stock his wardrobe, and the despatch quotes a trade paper as declaring he is "excelling at the job."

"How unfortunate it is," says this paper, "that William missed his vocation. After all the notoriety he achieved as an Emperor, one can imagine what would have been his fame as a tailor."

HOUSE BURNING GOES ON IN IRELAND

Sending of New Troops Fails
to Stop Shooting of
Constable.

LONDON, May 28.—Burning of private and public buildings and shooting of citizens continued in various parts of Ireland last night. The Coast Guard station on Rybil Head, in County Kerry, was burned. Castlecaulfield Barracks in the same county were likewise destroyed by fire.

In County Clare, a farmer living near Ennis, on the River Fergus, was attacked and seriously wounded. A civilian near Lisdoonvarna, in the north-west part of the county, was attacked and shot. Constabulary Sgt. Johnson was ambushed and wounded during a fight with his assailant, a man named Hally, seven miles north of Lisdoonvarna.

The whole of Ireland is reported awaiting the arrival of the military reinforcement now en route from Aldershot.

SENATORS FAVOR EMBARGO ON SUGAR

Committee Orders Favorable Re-
port on McNary Bill to Stop
Exports.

WASHINGTON, May 28.—By a vote of six to three the Senate Agriculture Committee to-day ordered a favorable report on the McNary Bill providing for an export embargo on sugar.

Those supporting the bill were Senators McNary of Oregon, Capper of Kansas, Kenyon, Iowa, and Norris, Nebraska, Republicans, and Harrison, Mississippi, and Kendrick, of Wyoming, Democrats. Senators Smith of Georgia, Smith of South Carolina and Bagwell of Louisiana, Democrats, opposed it.

Before taking final action the committee amended the measure so that it would not affect sugar sent to the United States by foreign countries or their nationals to be refined. Early Senate consideration of the bill is planned by Senator McNary.

Previous to Daugherty's appearance Angus W. McLean, Director of the War Finance Corporation, had been examined by Chairman Kenyon, who said he was anxious to learn something about the "invisible" boom for William G. McAdoo. McLean said that McAdoo had forbidden his friends to push a campaign for him and asserted there was no McAdoo boom, no McAdoo fund and no McAdoo organization.

Before the committee met it was stated that Major A. A. Sprague, Treasurer of the Wood Campaign Committee in Chicago, had started for Washington "wearing mail." Major Sprague is expected to tell the story of the Wood campaign fund from the place where Col. William Cooper Procter left off up to date and to add another million to the total amount expended. This would bring it up to the \$2,000,000 mark.

WOOD TREASURER CALLS THE WHOLE THING "DAMNABLE."

"This whole thing is the most damnably outrageous affair I ever heard of," he is quoted as having shouted when he was leaving Chicago. "They impugn the motives of high-minded, patriotic citizens, all of whom are doing their patriotic duty. I wish the real, underlying motives of this investigation could be published to the country at large so everybody would see them."

"Whenever an old-style politician feels a tremor under him he starts accusing the opposition of all manner of crooked motives and methods."

The committee has been unable to locate H. L. Sighbins, Treasurer at the Wood headquarters in New York. A subpoena server sought him, but was told the treasurer had gone on a fishing trip and left no address.

REFERS TO STORIES ABOUT THE WOOD CAMPAIGN.

When Daugherty took the stand he was questioned by Senator Reed about the sudden switch of the State Journal and the Columbus Dispatch from Harding to Wood.

"I would be willing to go this far," Mr. Daugherty said. "There was a very active campaign made around Columbus for Gen. Wood."

"I've understood," said Senator Reed, "that Mr. Wolfe is the controlling factor of both papers, and that he changed his policy to oppose Senator Harding, and that later everything indicated the expenditure of large sums of money in the campaign."

"Mr. Wolfe pretended at first to support Senator Harding," Mr. Daugherty replied, "and afterward went to the vigorous support of Gen. Wood. I don't know if he was sincere in his first attitude toward Senator Harding."

"Is it true that very large expenditures were made on advertising in that Ohio campaign?" Senator Reed continued.

"There were expenditures of that